

Minutes Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission April 21, 2009

Minutes of the Mayor's Youth Advisory Commission held on April 21, 2009, 7:00 p.m., at the Tempe Public Library Board Room, 3500 S. Rural Road 2nd Floor, Tempe, Arizona.

<u>MEMBERS Present</u>: Maria Eller, Nicholas Gaitan, Amber Hinitt, Jevin Hodge, Cecilia Iole, Preston Long, Sachin Nair, Kristen Rund, Rachel Saba, Veekas Shrivastava, Julio Souffle, Marcos Souffle, Gonzalo Vilichis, and Kaylee Wong.

<u>MEMBERS Absent</u>: Katherine Brunty, Leslie Klein, Enrico Lage, Amanda Lovins, Katrina Rodrigues, and Brant Ziemba.

City Staff Present: Kim Bauman

Guests Present: None

Meeting convened at 7:01 p.m.

Veekas Shrivastava, MYAC Chair called the meeting to order.

Agenda Item 1 – Minutes from April 7, 2009 Meeting

Nick Gaitan read the minutes from the April 7, 2009 meeting.

MOTION: Nick Gaitan motioned to approve the minutes.

SECOND: Julio Souffle seconded the motion.

DECISION: Minutes were approved.

Agenda Item 2 - Treasurer's Report

Jevin Hodge provided the Treasurer's Report.

Agenda Item 3 - Announcements

Veekas made the following announcements:

- MYAC was represented at MYFEST by Jevin, Sachin and Veekas.
- The YouthFest Courage Awards and Tempe Top Teens Recognition was a great event and he encouraged all members to attend next year.
- The Boards and Commissions reception is being held this Friday. A poll was taken of which MYAC members will be attending.

Agenda Item 4 - MYAC 2009-10 Membership Recruitment

Veekas announced membership recruitment is underway at Corona, Tempe High, Marcos and Compadre. There are openings for 2 students at each school of these schools. McClintock is already well represented on the Commission. The middle schools have also been contacted and have been asked to select one representative. Membership-at-large applications have been sent to other interested students and to Tempe charter schools. Current members were asked to help with recruitment efforts at their schools.

Agenda Item 5- MYAC Bylaws

Veekas explained to MYAC members that the commission's bylaws are very old and many sections do not reflect the current MYAC ordinance. Members reviewed the proposed revised bylaws.

MOTION: Kayle Wong motioned to approve the revised bylaws.

SECOND: Maria Eller seconded the motion. **DECISION:** The motion was approved 14 to 0.

Agenda Item 6 - Community Service Project

Veekas explained to MYAC members that by recruiting new MYAC members this spring for the beginning of the school year MYAC can hold Student Government Day in the Fall and Youth Town Hall earlier in the spring. This would give MYAC some time later in the spring to be involved in a community service project. Veekas asked members to bring their community service project ideas to the next meeting.

<u>Agenda Item 7 – Future Agenda Items</u>

- MYAC Community Service Project
- MYAC 2009-10 membership recruitment
- MYAC Year End Celebration

The Commission's next meeting will be May 5, 2009.

Meeting adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Prepared by: Cecilia Iole

Reviewed by: Kim Bauman

Veekas Shrivastava, Chair

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